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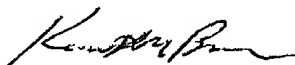
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## Patent Application

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

In connection with the above-referenced patent application, and in response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2007 in connection therewith, Applicant hereby traverses the outstanding rejection, and submits that each of the pending claims is patentable over the cited reference.

In the instant application, claims 1-64 are pending. Of these claims, claims 8, 9, 18, 19, 24, 25, 30, 31, 40, 41, 50, 51, 56, 57, 62 and 63 have been withdrawn from consideration in response to a species election requirement (unsuccessfully traversed by Applicant). In the instant Office Action, claims 1-5, 10-12, 14-17, 20-23, 26-29, 32-27, 42-44, 46-49, 52-55, 58-61 and 64 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Jafarkhani et al. (U.S. Patent # 6,823,018, hereinafter "Jafarkhani"). Claims 6, 7, 13, 38, 39 and 45 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but have been indicated as comprising allowable subject matter. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter, but hereby traverses the outstanding rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as to all of the rejected claims.

The instant invention provides "a multiple descriptive source coding technique in which a